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FOR: METHOD FOR FORMING A SILICIDE LAYER

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- Specification: 8 pages; Claims: 1 pages; Abstract: 1 page
- Declaration and Power of Attorney
- Sheet(s) of drawings 5 pages
- An assignment of the invention to: NEC Corporation
- A certified copy of Japanese application No. 2000-259226 filed August 29, 2000
- Information Disclosure Statement

Priority is hereby claimed under 35 USC 119 by way of Japanese patent application No. 2000-259226
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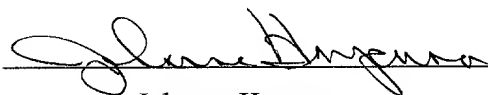
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